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The reply filed on January 3, 2001 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Applicant's attorney advised the undersigned Examiner that the election of January 3, 2001 was made by inadvertent error and that a subsequent election would be forthcoming. However, upon communication with Applicant's attorney on March 5, 2001 a telephone reply has not been received it is believed that the weather has caused the delay. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).


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